



5 minutes: Introduction –Nancy Armbrust

15 minutes: LDS – Dave Edie

5 minutes: Public Private – Jon Stellmacher

5 minutes: Screening Assessment – Kia LaBracke

5 minutes: Professional Development – Ann
Ramminger

5 minutes: Oral Health – Lisa Bell

15 minutes: Obesity Prevention – Mollie and Amy

5 minutes: Family Community – Leslie McAlister

5 minutes: Child Welfare – Fredi Bove

5 minutes: Wrap up Nancy Armbrust

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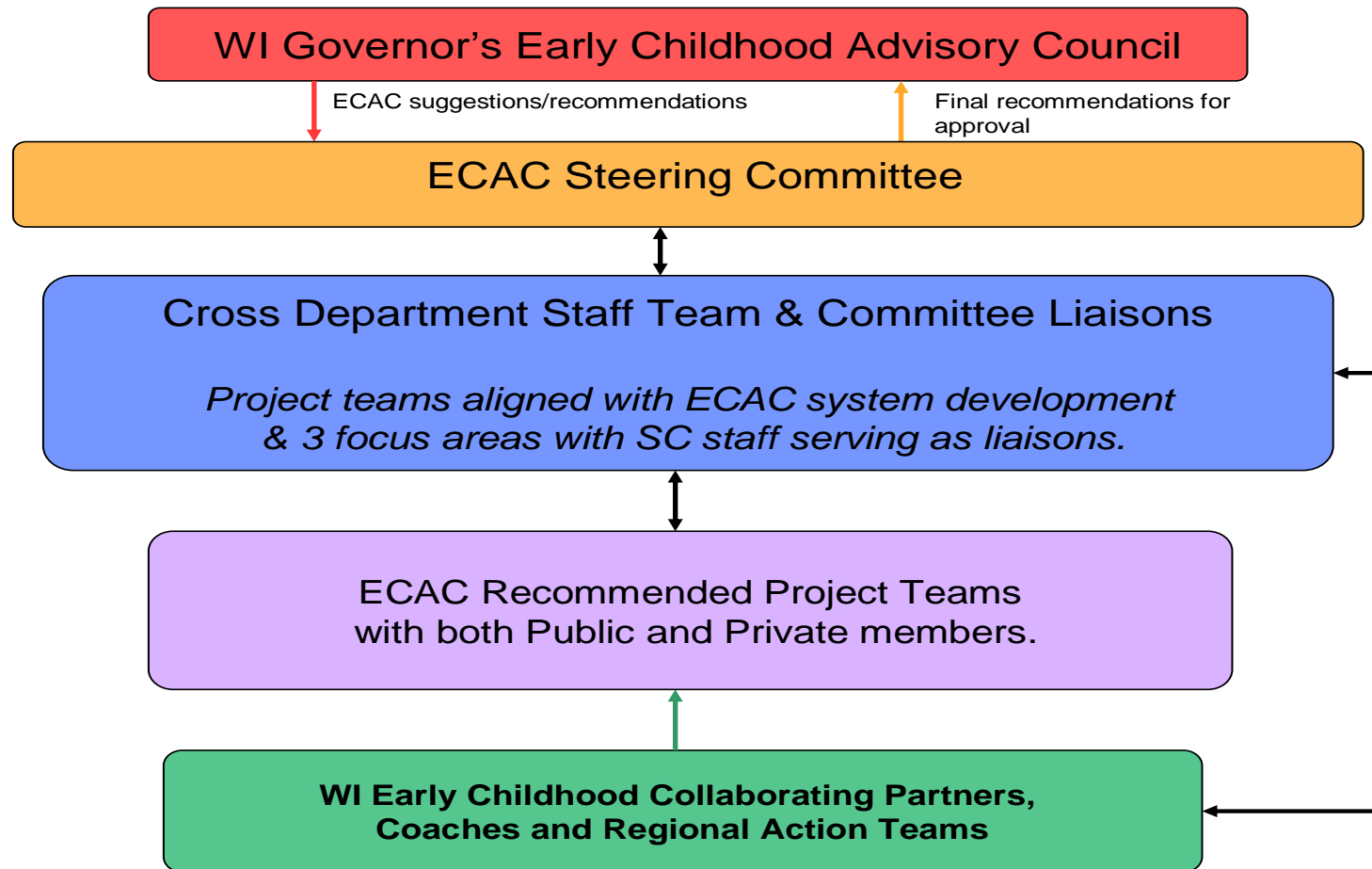
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Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council

Steering Committee Report
June 19th, 2012

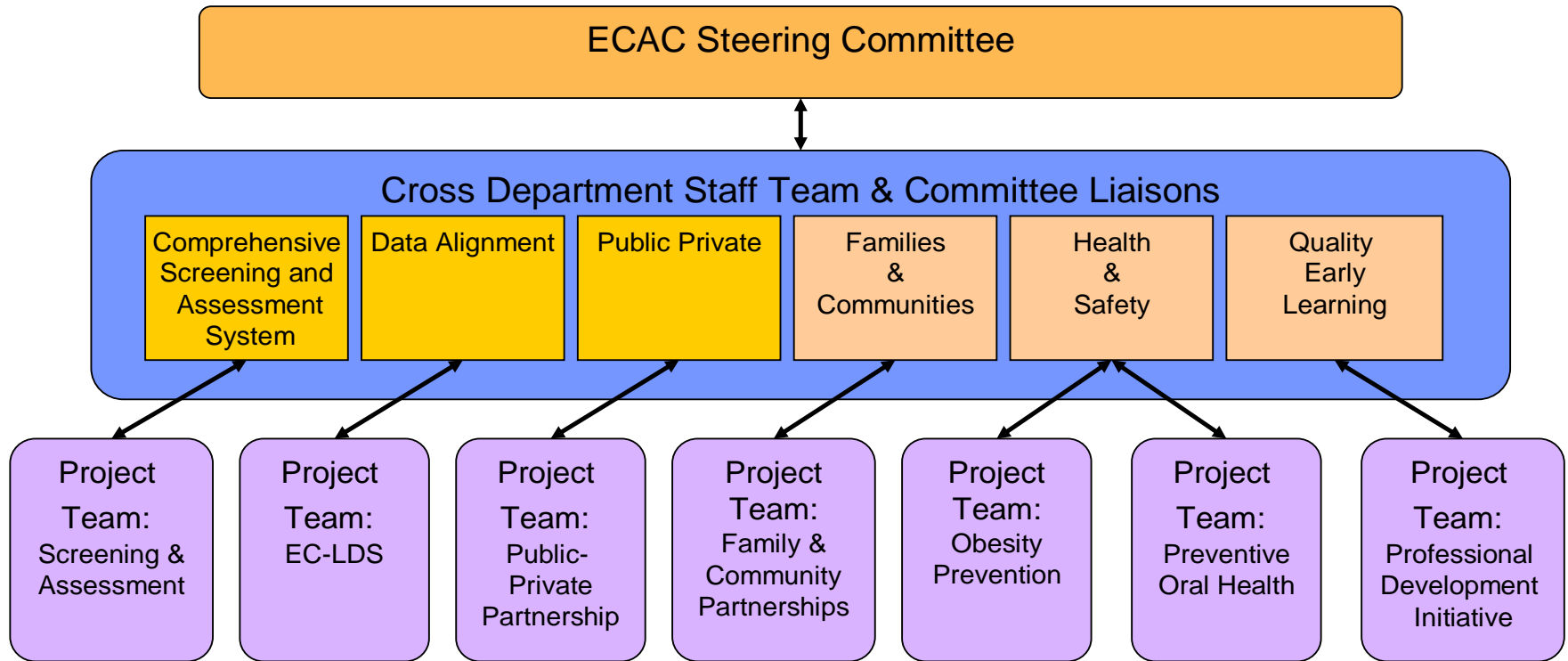
WI Structure for Early Learning and Development



*The WI Early Childhood Collaborating Partners Action Team has been folded into this revised committee structure.

WI Structure for Early Learning and Development

*Project teams aligned with ECAC system development
& 3 focus areas with SC staff serving as liaisons.*



*The Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners Action Teams have been folded into this structure.

*Outside Individuals/Groups have an opportunity to participate in a project by indicating interest to the SC member chair or the project team leader.

 ECAC Systems

 Focus Areas



Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team Update and Discussion

Co-Chairs:

Carol Noddings Eichinger, ECAC funded

Dave Edie, WCCF

Membership:

Leadership Team - Program and IT personnel from the
Departments of Public Instruction, Children and
Families, Health Services, and Workforce
Development

Workgroups – include department above and various
other stakeholders



Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team Data Roundtable

- **Data Roundtable held Feb. 22, 2012**
- **Over 75 stakeholders attended:** cross-sector representation
- **Key Goals:**
 - introduced stakeholders to the project
 - shared milestones and current progress
 - obtained stakeholder input and ongoing involvement-including key questions



Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team

Data Survey Across 3 Departments

- **Completed Data Survey of 32 key programs across three state departments:**
 - Department of Children and Families
 - Department of Health Services
 - Department of Public Instruction
- **Survey included programs outside state government:** challenges to add this data
- **Analysis from survey data:** key to building cross-sector EC-longitudinal data system



Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team Work Groups

Work Group 1: Identifying Capacity Work Group

- **Analysis:** Did initial analysis of data available and metrics needed to answer 5 key questions.
- **Recommendation:** A pilot project to test ability to link data across three departments:
 - **DCF:** WI Shares/YoungStar
 - **DHS:** BadgerCare Plus or Food Share
 - **DPI:** 4-Year-Old Kindergarten & Special Education for Children Ages 3-5
 - Handout Workgroup Executive Summary



Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team

Work Groups (continued)

Work Group 2: Unique Identifier

- **Studied options** available for unique identifier:
 - Option 1: Matching method via software would be used for matching individuals
 - Option 2: Agree on one unique identifier to be used for the child identifier across data systems
- **Strong Recommendation:** Matching approach (option 1)

Handout: Draft Workgroup Executive Summary



Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team Next Steps: Pilot Projects

- To determine to what extent we can match key data from large data sets across 3 departments
 - To test the extent we can get unduplicated counts of children in a sample set of programs
 - To collect data on early childhood program participation to lay the groundwork for addressing the other key policy questions.

Early Childhood – Longitudinal Data System Project Team

Next Steps: Child Well-being Indicators

- Explore the feasibility of 12 child well-being indicators (previously reviewed by the ECAC) to be reported annually to the public
- Determine if indicators can be reported at state and local levels



Public Private Partnerships Project Team Update

Co-Chairs:

- Jon Stellmacher – ECAC and PWES co-chair
- Dennis Winters – DWD Chief Economist, ECAC Steering Team, and PWES co-chair

Membership (to date):

- Dave Edie – ECAC Steering Team
- Jim Leonhart – ECAC Steering Team
- 3 other ECAC members have also indicated interest in serving on this team



Public Private Partnerships

- This initiative has been established to:
 - Generate both public and private funds
 - Facilitate development of local partnerships
 - Establish criteria for grant awards
 - Serve as a “bank” for distributing funds to approved project team initiatives
 - Distribute funds effectively for greatest impact



Public Private Partnerships

Two Phases in Evolution

- Phase 1: Piloting a process to support local early childhood system building initiatives by June 2013
- Phase 2: Further advancing the public private model:
 - Benefit of Phase 1 learnings
 - Public Private Partnership Board in place
 - Gain additional public and private funding



Public Private Partnerships

Phase 1

- DCF process to be announced for supporting early childhood system building efforts
- Project Team recommends supporting communities via:
 - Start up grants to assist local committees in planning, organizing and launching a coordinated early childhood organization/infrastructure (a single level)
 - Augmentation grants to strengthen, improve and grow existing local early childhood organization/infrastructure (two levels)
 - Gather input on the best way to create new or use existing local organizations



Screening and Assessment Project Team Leadership

Co-Chairs:

- Kia LaBracke, Wisconsin Chapter AAP
- Linda Tuchman-Ginsberg, UW-Madison, Waisman Center

ECAC Steering Team Liaison:

- Jill Haglund, DPI

Staff Resources:

- Erin Arango-Escalante, DPI
- Susan Larsen, DHS
- Sharon Fleischfresser, DHS
- Jennie Mauer, DCF/DHS
- Katy Murphy, DHS

Screening and Assessment Project Team Background



- Charge: Wisconsin will have better and more consistent information about young children at key developmental milestones
- Roots in the Healthy Children Committee of the Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners (WECCP)
- Leadership team includes representation from WI DHS, Long Term Support-Children's Service, including Birth to 3 and Public Health (including Project LAUNCH)

Screening and Assessment Project Team

Proposed Team Structure

- Quarterly Meetings (Next Meeting: July 16, 2012)
- Subcommittees with Leadership from Project Team Members:
 - Developmental Screening
 - Kindergarten Entrance Assessment Alignment
- Ad hoc Committees
 - Screening and Assessment Timeline
 - Glossary of Terms

Screening and Assessment Project Team Accomplishments



- Consensus on common principles and definitions of screening and assessment.
- Consensus on recommended periodicity schedule based on AAP's Bright Futures guidelines and DPI screening and assessment priorities.
- Evaluation and recommendation of evidence-based, normed screening tools
- Workgroup product: Series of ten (10) Developmental Screening Tip Sheets for community engagement
- Goals and outcomes of child development and learning focused within the context of family well-being and community support

Screening and Assessment Project Team Charges



- Expand on the current cross sector screening and assessment schedule and appropriate tools. In addition to developmental screening include:
 - Medical (hearing, vision, pulse oximetry)
 - Strong input on recommendations for the new statewide, comprehensive Kindergarten Entrance Assessment system (KEA)
 - Maternal depression/mental health as it relates to early adverse childhood experiences (ACES)



Screening and Assessment Project Team Charges *(continued)*

- Identify existing early childhood screening and assessment roles and responsibilities
 - Processes used
 - Referral expectations
 - Communications structures
 - YoungStar
 - Health Check (EPSDT)
 - Home Visiting
 - Early childhood mental health
 - Child Find (children with disabilities birth to 5)
 - Head Start
 - Home Visitation
 - Child Welfare
 - 4/5 Kindergarten



Screening and Assessment Project Team Charges *(continued)*

- Make recommendations for alignment of screening and/or assessment processes to:
 - Maximize resources
 - Assure access
 - Reduce duplication
 - Support community-wide approaches
 - Supports state efforts for an Early Childhood Longitudinal Data System (LDS)
 - As we achieve our goal of universal screening, where are services and budgeted dollars best placed?
 - Ensuring efficient and cost-saving screening and assessment strategies

Screening and Assessment Project Team

Communications Strategies

- Use the set of Tip Sheets to broadly spread the value of universal screening and follow up action
 - WECPP web site, social media
 - Outreach through professional networks of ECAC, OEL, WECCP, and others
 - As we achieve our goal of universal screening, where are services best placed?
 - Ensuring adequate and non-duplicative screening and assessment avenues



Professional Development Initiative Project Team Update

Co-Chairs:

- Ann Ramminger, ECAC PD Coordinator, UW Madison Waisman Center: ramminger@waisman.wisc.edu
- Jeanette Paulson, Director of Workforce Initiatives, WI Early Childhood Association: jpaulson@wisconsinearlychildhood.org

Membership:

- Dept. of Children and Families, Dept. of Health Services, Dept. of Public Instruction, Children's Trust Fund, Child Welfare Training Partnership, Parents Plus, Supporting Families Together Association, The Registry, UW Extension, UW Madison Waisman Center, UW-Milwaukee, WI After School Network, WI Alliance for Infant Mental Health, WI Birth to 3 Program, WI Council on Children and Families, WI Early Childhood Association, WI DPI Office of Early Learning Head Start Collaboration Office, WI Head Start Association, WI Head Start TA Office, WI FACETS, WI Technical College System



Professional Development Initiative Project Team Update

Mission:

Help ensure that all children and families in Wisconsin have access to quality early childhood programs and services.

Goal:

Ensure access for early childhood providers to cross-sector, culturally and linguistically appropriate professional development opportunities.

Charge:

- Develop strategies for implementing cross-sector training, communities of practice, coaching and mentoring.
- Provide advice in the redesign of the state teacher licensing and approval process and alignment with the early childhood education associate degree programs in technical college.
- Provide advice in the development of credit-based and credential alternative pathways in addition to teacher licensing.



Professional Development Initiative Project Team Update

- Meetings held: Feb and May 2012
- PDI DRAFT Mission: Enhance coordination of the Cross Sector Early Childhood Professional Development System
 - Develop, align and utilize core competencies across the variety of early childhood systems
 - Strengthen cross sector training and technical assistance
 - Enhance linkages with higher education
- Connection to the Office of Early Learning



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Co-Chairs:

- Lisa Bell, DHS
- Linda Leonhart, DPI/Head Start State Collaboration Office
- Sarah Inman, United Way

Proposed Membership:

- Department of Health Services, United Way, Head Start Collaboration Office, Wisconsin Head Start Association, Community Action Programs, *Earlier is Better* Initiative, Medicare, Marquette Dental School, Wisconsin Technical College System, Delta Dental, School-based Oral Health Services, Home Visiting, Wisconsin Dental Association, Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Key Resources:

- Members and State Staff
- National Head Start Center on Health
- *Earlier is Better* Initiative
- Wisconsin Dental Association
- Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin
- Pew Charitable Trusts
- Home Visitors as Advocates
- Training and Technical Assistance



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Charge:

- Assist communities in implementing evidence-based preventive oral health services for all young children and families
- Document process and results to inform recommendations for replication in other communities and/or statewide implementation



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Rationale: Preventive oral health has been identified as a priority by:

- National Head Start Dental Home Initiative and State Leadership Team
- Wisconsin Oral Health Summit
- WI Head Start Collaboration Office Needs Assessment
- ECAC System Assessment
- Healthy People 2020 Report: oral health was added as a primary health indicator
- Pew Oral Health State Report: Wisconsin awarded a “C”
- *Earlier is Better* Grant



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Meeting Schedule

- Monthly meetings between July and October 2012
- Provisions will be made for virtual participation



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Proposed Objectives:

- Identify current preventive oral health programs and successful delivery strategies at the community level.
- Develop a best practice resource to support communities in increasing access.
- Review the state oral health plan and enhance early childhood goals as needed.
- Promote integration of oral health into comprehensive early childhood system recommendations.



Preventive Oral Health Project Team Update

Proposed Measurements of Success:

- Develop written recommendations for the 2012 ECAC Report to the Governor
- Complete an Action Plan for carrying out the above recommendations.



Obesity Prevention Project Team Project Team Update

Co-Chairs:

Bridget Cullen, DCF
Amy Meinen, DHS
Molle Polzin, DPI
Daithi Wolfe, WCCF

ECAC Steering Team Liaison:

Linda McCart, DHS

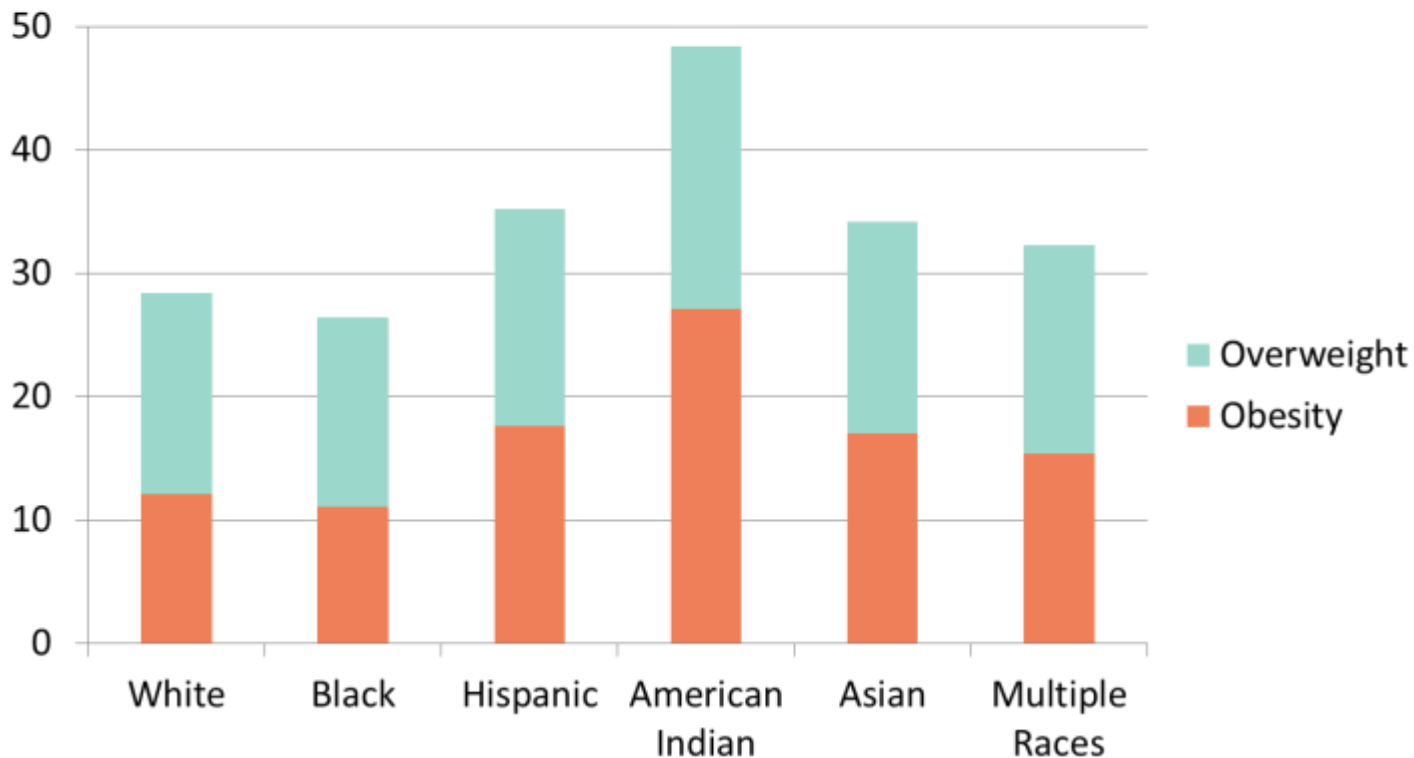
Membership:

Tara LaRowe, UW-DFM
Gayle Coleman, UW- Extension
Jill Hoiting, SFTA
Jeanette Paulson, WECA
Erin Gernetzke, WECA
Anne Carmody, DCF
Bev Anderson, WCCAA

Charge: Develop evidence-based recommendations and cross-sector implementation strategies for improving nutrition and physical activity to prevent obesity.

Obesity Prevention Project Team Update

Prevalence of Overweight & Obesity among Wisconsin's 2 to 4 Year Olds Participating in WIC





Collaborative

Multi-Strategy

Statewide

Evidence-Based

Nutrition & Physical Activity

Zero to Five Year Olds

Families

Community Partners

Stakeholders



Department of
Public Instruction
• Department of Health
Services • Department of
Children and Families • University of
WI-Madison • **Supporting Families
Together** Association, **Child Care Resource
& Referral Agencies** & **Family Resource
Centers** • WI Council on **Children &
Families** • WI Early Childhood
Association • UW-Extension
• WI Head Start Association
• YMCA • **Local Health Departments**
• American Academy of Pediatrics
• **WI Child Care Administrators
Association** • WI Family
Child Care Association
• 437 CACFP Wellness
Grant Pilot Sites • **35 Active
Early Pilot Sites** • **Early Care
and Education Providers**
• WI Technical Colleges
• **Celebrate Children Foundation**
• **And Many More**

The Timeline

2008

Literature
Review

Direct
Program
Observations

Environmental
Assessments

Curriculum
Assessment

Grant Writing

Parent Focus
Groups

Provider Focus
Groups

Key
Stakeholder
Interviews

Bi-State
Provider
Survey

2011

Leveraging Resources

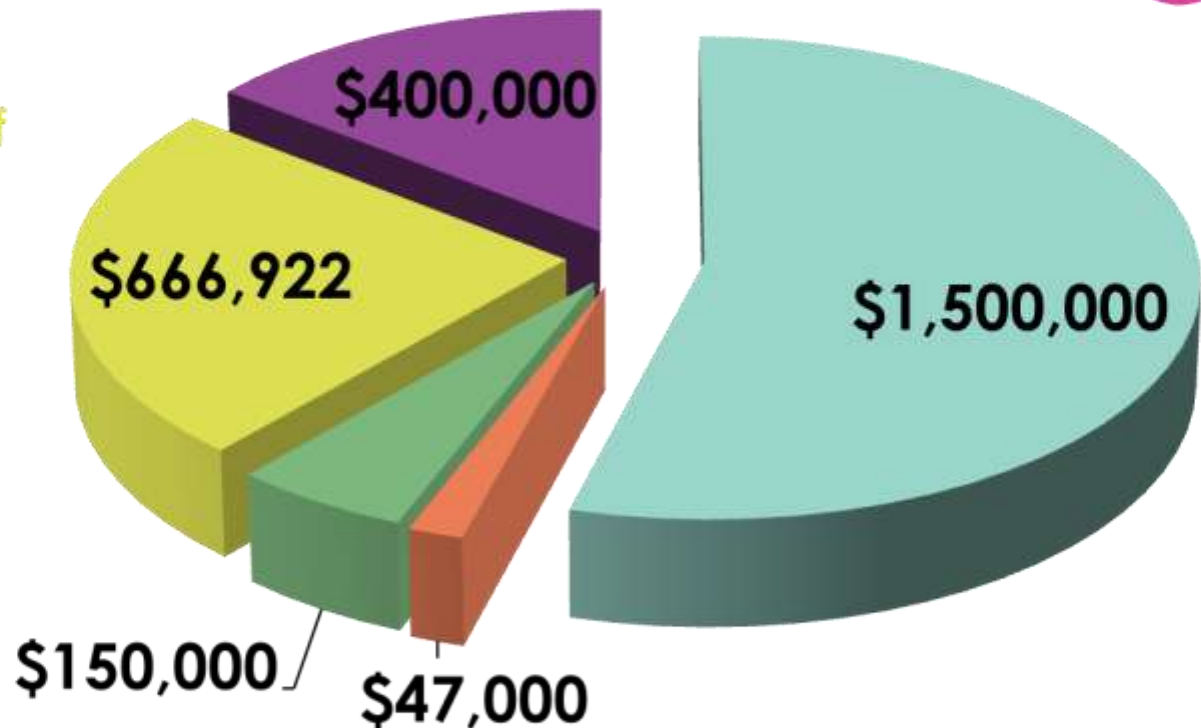
Centers for
Disease Control
and Prevention
(805 Funding)

American
Recovery &
Reinvestment Act

National Institute
of Health

US Department of
Agriculture

Wisconsin
Partnership
Program



Pilot Projects

20 Original *Active*
Early Sites

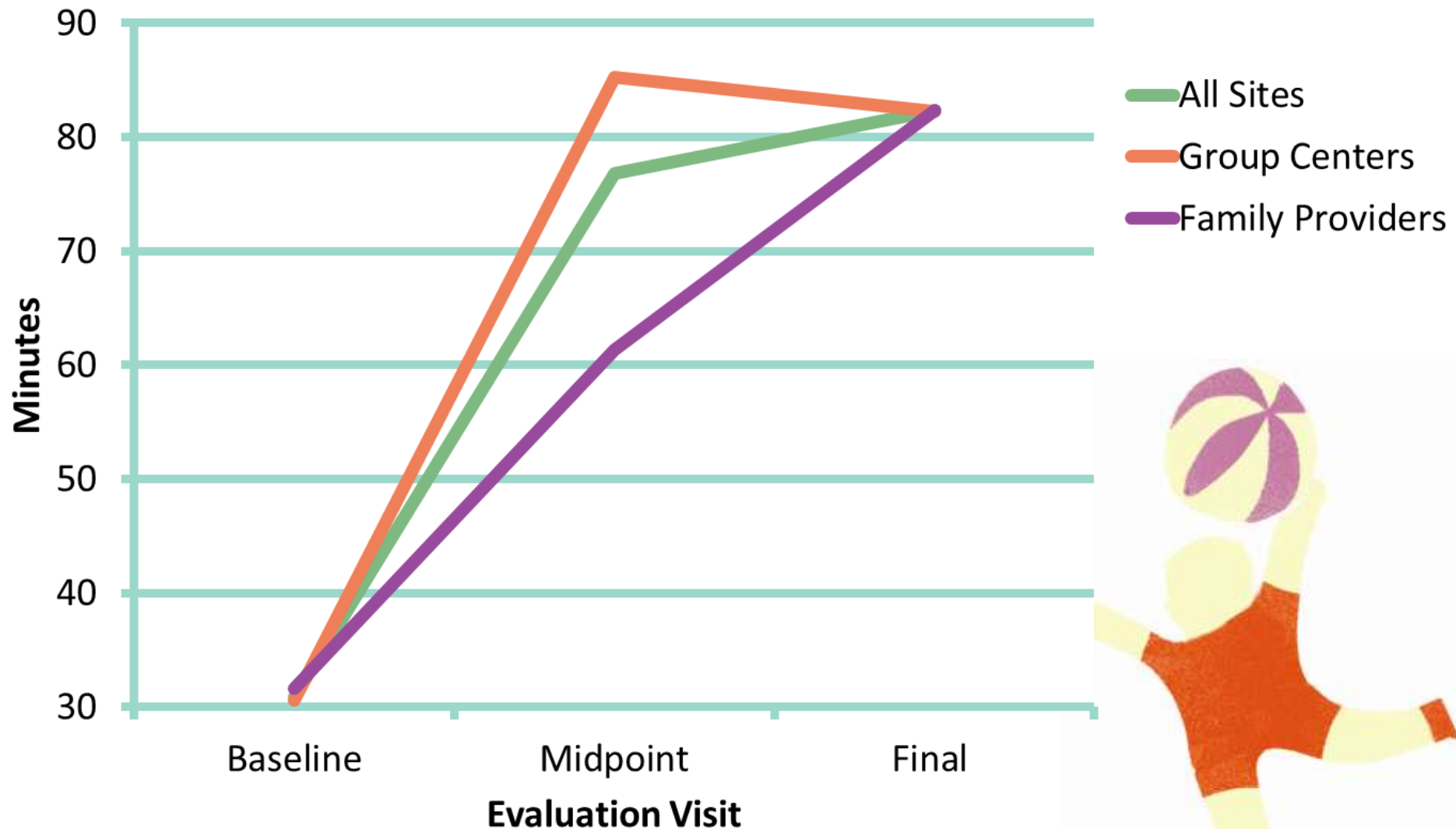


15 *Active Early*
2.0 Sites



437 CACFP Wellness
Grant Sites

Teacher-Led Physical Activity



Companion Guides



Designed to help early care and education professionals address childhood obesity by improving physical activity and nutrition in their program

52 Highly-Qualified Trainers Approved to deliver Wisconsin's Evidence-based Physical Activity Training

An Expanded Licensing
commentary
on Physical Activity and Nutrition

Infusion of Physical Activity & Nutrition into the Whole Context of Early Care and Education

729 Early Care & Education Programs have earned the Physical Activity Point in YoungStar

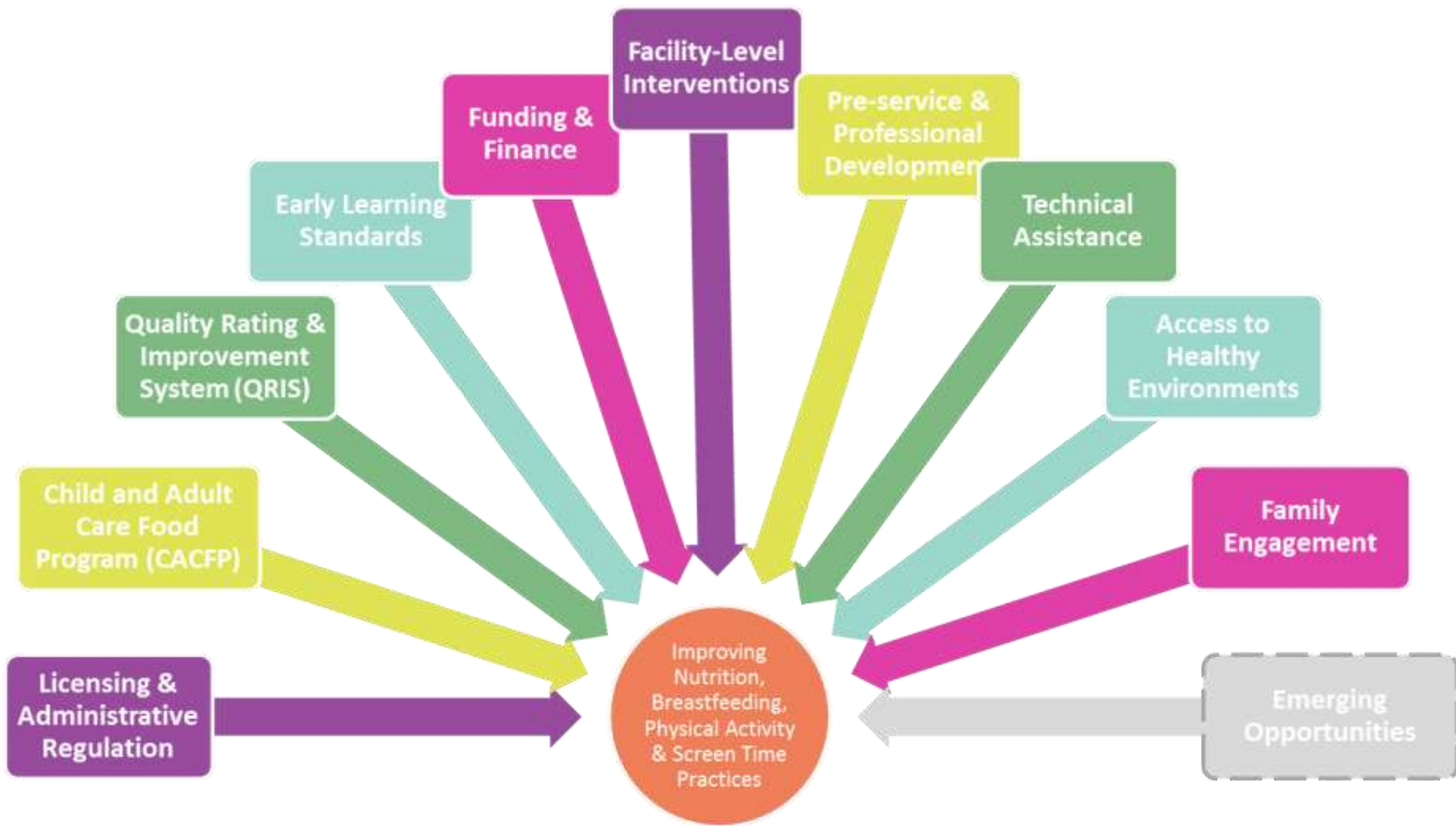


2012 Activities

- Active Early 2.0 Implementation
- CACFP Wellness Grant
- Development of the Healthy Bites Curriculum
- Grant Writing for Sustainability and Bringing Existing Work to Scale
- Parent Engagement Elements for Active Early and Healthy Bites
- Cross Sector Partnership Building



Wisconsin Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Initiative



Spectrum of Opportunities for State Action in Early Care and Education (Ages 0-5 years)

WECOPI's Recommendations

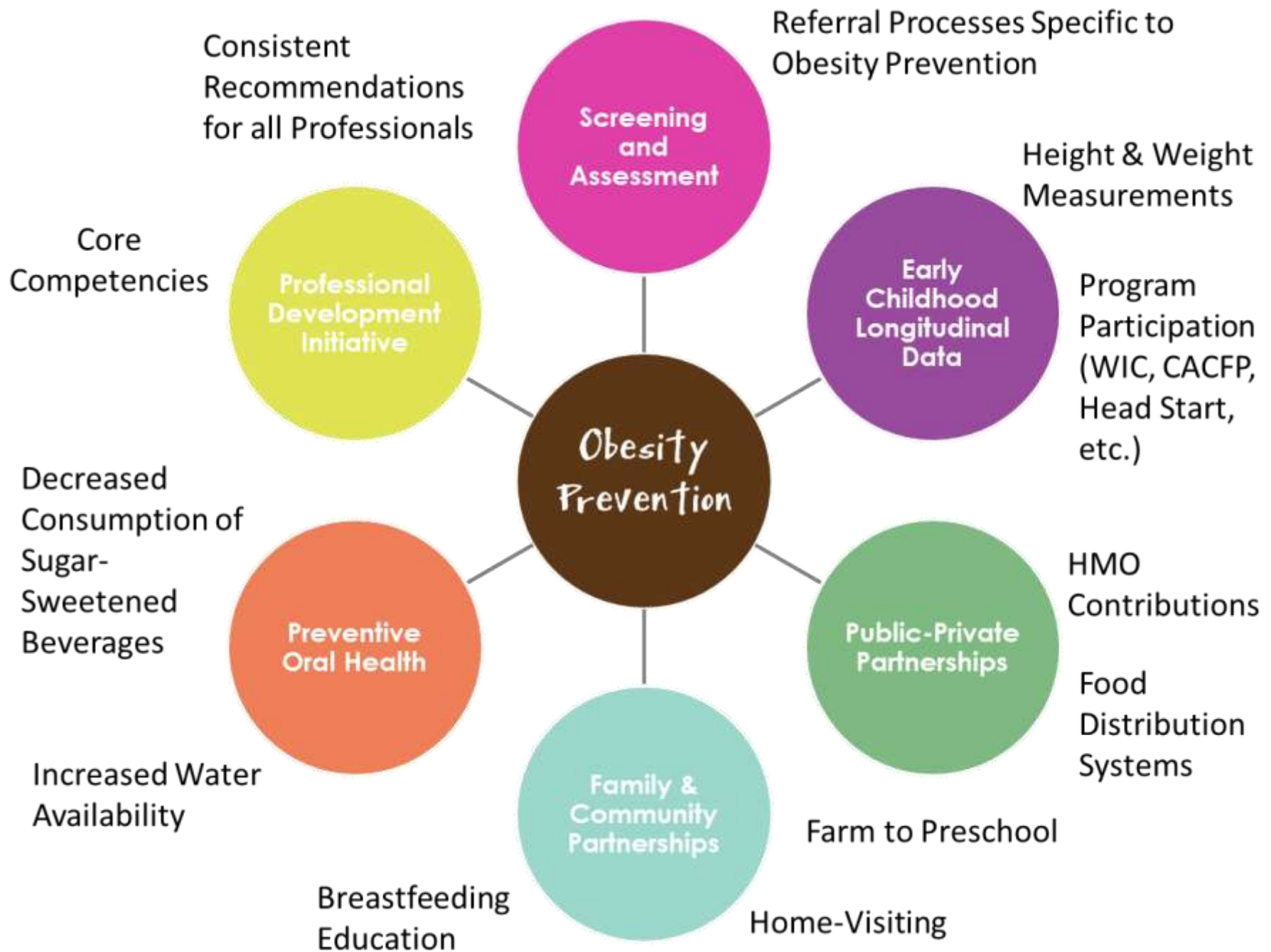


Wisconsin State Child
Care Licensing &
Regulation

YoungStar, Wisconsin's
Quality Rating &
Improvement System

Customized Technical
Assistance for Active
Early & Healthy Bites

Child and Adult Care
Food Program
(CACFP)



Wisconsin's Resources

Health in Practice: www.healthinpractice.org

Active Early & Healthy Bites:

<http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/physicalactivity/Sites/Community/Childcare/index.htm> or
<http://dpi.wi.gov/fns/cacfpwellness.html>

Got Dirt? & Got Veggies?:

<http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/physicalactivity/Sites/School/School.htm>

10 Steps to Breastfeeding Friendly Child Care Centers:

http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/physicalactivity/pdf_files/BreastfeedingFriendlyChildCareCenters.pdf

What Works in Early Care and Education:

<http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/P0/P00232.pdf>



Family and Community Partnerships Project Team Update

Co-Chairs:

- Leslie McAllister, DCF
- Linda Leonhart, DPI/Office of Early Learning
- Sarah Inman, United Way

Current Membership:

Milwaukee Public Schools, Wisconsin FACETS, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Parents Plus, DPI Tribal Consultant, Wisconsin Parent Teacher Association, Eau Claire Schools, Denmark Schools, Oneida Tribal Head Start/Early Head Start, Project LAUNCH – Milwaukee, Beloit Fatherhood Program, King Consulting, Supporting our Families Together Association, Parent Resource/Taylor County

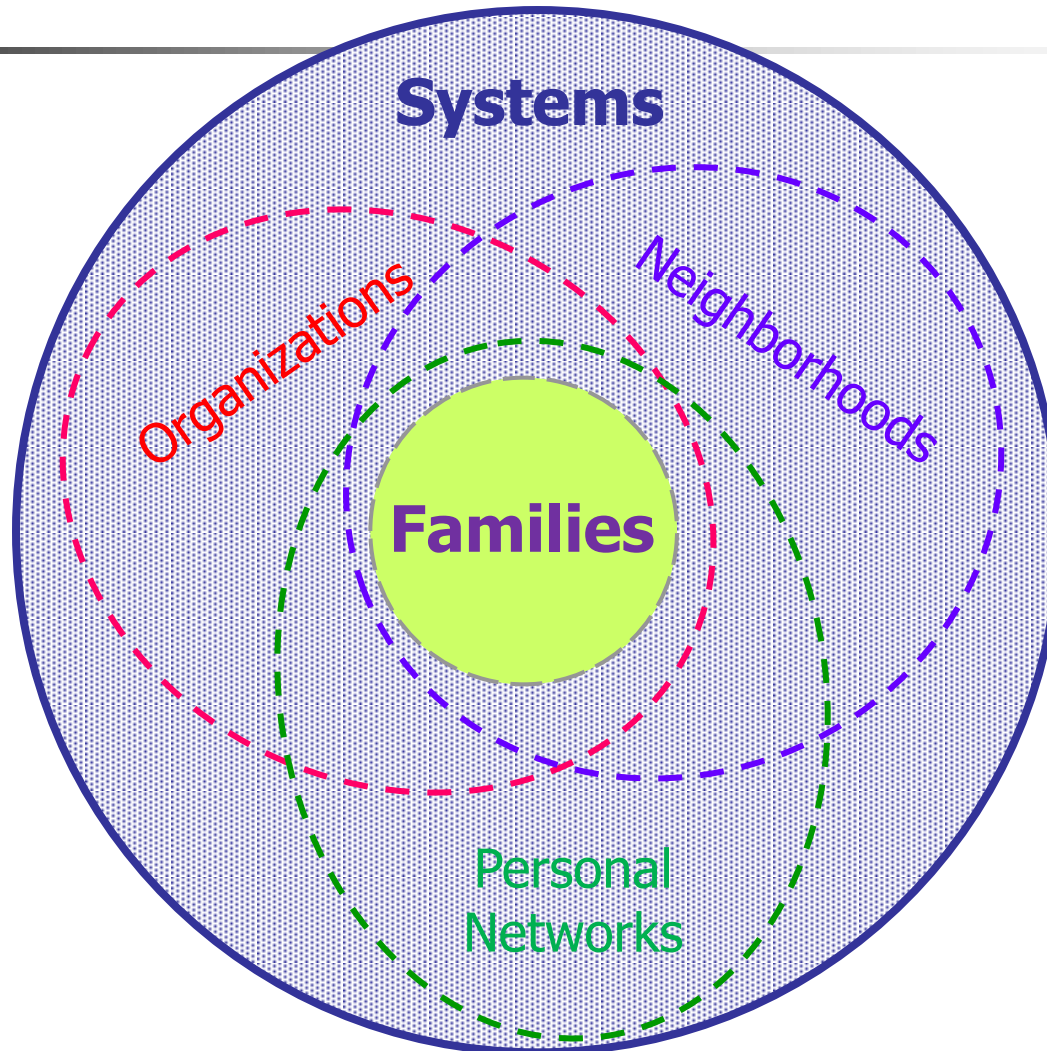


Family and Community Partnerships

Rationale:

- Family and Community Partnerships have been identified as a priority by:
 - Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners
 - ECAC System Assessment
 - Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge state grant application

Approach:





Family and Community Partnerships

Charge:

- Explore existing models and practices for partnerships in early childhood and family support programs
- Make recommendations regarding identification, alignment, and integration of strategies
- Include standards, training requirements, results, and resources



Family and Community Partnerships

Meeting Schedule:

- Monthly meetings between June and October 2012
- Provisions will be made for virtual participation



Child Welfare Partnership Updates

- Fredi Bove, Department of Children and Families
- MOU concluded between child welfare and Head Start in Milwaukee
- Promotion of increased collaboration between child welfare and Head Start programs in balance of state
- Federal grant proposal submitted to provide trauma-informed training to child care and other early childhood care providers



Thank You!



Project Team reports are currently under review and will soon be posted online at the ECAC's official website:
<http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/ecac/default.htm>